

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate convicted Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr. of High Crimes and Misdemeanors.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8607–S8658

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 4015–4017, and S. Res. 697. **Page S8641**

Measures Reported:

S. 3648, to establish a commission to conduct a study and provide recommendations on a comprehensive resolution of impacts caused to certain Indian tribes by the Pick-Sloan Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–357)

S. 4016, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish within the Environmental Protection Agency a Columbia Basin Restoration Program. (S. Rept. No. 111–358)

S. 2902, to improve the Federal Acquisition Institute, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8641**

Measures Passed:

Taxpayer Assistance Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4994, to extend certain expiring provisions of the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8631–34**

Bennet (for Reid) Amendment No. 4742, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8631–34**

Bennet (for Reid) Amendment No. 4743, to amend the title. **Pages S8631–34**

Regulated Investment Company Modernization Act: Senate passed H.R. 4337, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify certain rules applicable to regulated investment companies, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S8651**

Reid (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 4744, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8651**

Census Oversight Efficiency and Management Reform Act: Senate passed S. 3167, to amend title 13 of the United States Code to provide for a 5-year term of office for the Director of the Census and to provide for the authority and duties of the Director and Deputy Director of the Census, after agreeing to the committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8651–54**

Reid (for Carper) Amendment No. 4745, to provide for the establishment of a technology advisory committee and to strike the requirement that the Director of the Census submit a budget request each year to the Secretary of Commerce for inclusion in the President's budget request for that year. **Pages S8653–54**

National Alzheimer's Project Act: Senate passed S. 3036, to establish the National Alzheimer's Project, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8654–55**

15th Anniversary of the Dayton Peace Accords: Senate agreed to S. Res. 697, recognizing the 15th anniversary of the Dayton Peace Accords. **Page S8655**

Measures Considered:

Impeachment of Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr.: Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, continued consideration of the articles of impeachment against Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr. of the Eastern District of Louisiana, taking the following action: **Page S8607**

By a unanimous vote of 94 ayes (Vote No. 260), Senate rejected the motion that notwithstanding Impeachment Rule XXIII, the Senate shall disaggregate the articles of impeachment by holding preliminary votes on individual allegations in the articles. **Page S8608**

On this article of impeachment, 96 Senators having voted guilty, 0 Senators having voted not guilty (Vote No. 261), two-thirds of the Senators present

having voted guilty, the verdict on Article I (improperly denied a motion to recuse based on corrupt financial relationship) is guilty. **Pages S8608–09**

On this article of impeachment, 69 Senators having voted guilty, 27 Senators having voted not guilty (Vote No. 262), two-thirds of the Senators having voted guilty, the verdict on Article II (alleges a pattern of corrupt conduct based on improper structuring of bail bonds) is guilty. **Page S8609**

On this article of impeachment, 88 Senators having voted guilty, 8 Senators having voted not guilty (Vote No. 263), two-thirds of the Senators having voted guilty, the verdict on Article III (intentionally made material false statements in a personal bankruptcy filing) is guilty. **Pages S8609–10**

On this article of impeachment, 90 Senators having voted guilty, 6 Senators having voted not guilty (Vote No. 264), two-thirds of the Senators having voted guilty, the verdict on Article IV (knowingly made false statements to the Senate and FBI during his confirmation process) is guilty. **Page S8610**

By 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 265), Senate agreed to the motion to forever disqualify Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr. of the Eastern District of Louisiana, to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States. **Pages S8610–11**

The Senate having tried G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, upon four articles of impeachment exhibited against him by the House of Representatives, and two-thirds of the Senators present having found him guilty of the charges contained in Articles I, II, III, and IV of the articles of impeachment: it is, therefore, ordered and adjudged that the said G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., be, and is hereby, removed from office; and that he be, and he is hereby, forever disqualified to hold and enjoy any office or honor, trust, or profit under the United States. **Pages S8610–11**

Ordered, that the Secretary be directed to communicate to the Secretary of State, as provided by rule XXIII of the Rules of Procedure and Practice in the Senate When Sitting on Impeachment Trials, and also to the House of Representatives, the judgment of the Senate in the case of G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., and transmit a certified copy of the judgment to each. **Page S8610**

Subsequently, Senate, sitting as Court of Impeachment, adjourned sine die. **Page S8610**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senators may be permitted, within 7 days from Wednesday, December 8, 2010, to have printed in the *Congressional Record* opinions or statements explaining their votes and that the Secretary be authorized to include these statements, along with the record of the Senate's proceedings, in a Senate document printed to complete the documenta-

tion of the Senate's handling of these impeachment proceedings. **Page S8608**

Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3991, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions. **Pages S8613–17, S8617–27**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 266), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S8626–27**

Emergency Senior Citizens Relief Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3985, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions. **Pages S8627–28**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 267), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S8627–28**

Appointments:

United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, in consultation with the Ranking Members of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, reappointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic Security Review Commission:

Robin Cleveland of Virginia for a term expiring December 31, 2012, and Dennis C. Shea of Virginia for a term expiring December 31, 2012. **Page S8655**

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C. Richard D'Amato of Maryland for a term beginning January 1, 2011, and expiring December 31, 2012, vice Peter Videnieks of Virginia.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that the cloture vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3992, Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act, occur at 11 a.m., on Thursday, December 9, 2010, with the time following any Leader time, until 11 a.m., equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees; that following any Leader statement, Senator Durbin be recognized for up to 10 minutes; Senate then resume the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3992; that during Thursday's session, Senator Bennett be recognized, after any votes Thursday morning, to speak for up to 20 minutes for his farewell speech, and that Senator Dorgan be recognized at 2 p.m., for up to 20 minutes for his farewell speech; and also that Senator Bunning be recognized at 1 p.m., for up to 30 minutes for his farewell speech.

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Retiring Members Tributes—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that there be printed as a Senate document a compilation of materials from the *Congressional Record* in the tribute to retiring members of the 111th Congress, and that members have until Thursday, December 16, 2010, to submit such tributes.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Albert J. Beveridge III, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2016.

Constance M. Carroll, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2016.

Cathy M. Davidson, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2016.

41 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Marine Corps, and Navy.

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Executive Communications:

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Executive Reports of Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—8)

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—267)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m. and adjourned at 7:09 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8656.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on AirLand: Senators Lieberman (Chair), Bayh, Webb, McCaskill, Hagan, Begich, Coons, Thune, Inhofe, Sessions, Chambliss, Brown (MA), and Burr.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities: Senators Nelson (FL) (Chair), Reed, Nelson (NE), Bayh, Udall (CO), Bingaman, Manchin, Coons, LeMieux, Graham, Wicker, Brown (MA), Burr, Collins, and Kirk.

Subcommittee on Personnel: Senators Webb (Chair), Lieberman, Akaka, Nelson (NE), McCaskill, Hagan, Begich, Bingaman, Graham, Chambliss, Thune, Wicker, LeMieux, Vitter, and Collins.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support: Senators Bayh (Chair), Akaka, McCaskill, Udall (CO), Manchin, Burr, Inhofe, Chambliss, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Seapower: Senators Reed (Chair), Lieberman, Akaka, Nelson (FL), Webb, Hagan, Coons, Wicker, Sessions, LeMieux, Vitter, Collins, and Kirk.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces: Senators Nelson (NE) (Chair), Reed, Nelson (FL), Udall (CO), Begich, Bingaman, Manchin, Vitter, Sessions, Inhofe, Graham, Brown (MA), and Kirk.

Senators Levin and McCain serve as ex-officio members of all subcommittees.

U.S. CAPITAL MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment with the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded joint hearings to examine the efficiency, stability, and integrity of the United States capital markets, after receiving testimony from Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, United

States Securities and Exchange Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodities Futures Trading Commission; James J. Angel, Georgetown University McDonough School of Business, Washington, D.C.; Thomas Peterffy, Interactive Brokers Groups, Greenwich, Connecticut; Manoj Narang, Tradeworx Inc., Red Bank, New Jersey; Kevin Cronin, Invesco Ltd., Atlanta, Georgia; and Stephen Luparello, Financial Industry Regulator Authority, Alexandria, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Scott C. Doney, of Massachusetts, to be Chief Scientist of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, Mario Cordero, of California, and Rebecca F. Dye, of North Carolina, both to be a Federal Maritime Com-

missioner, and a promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Coast Guard.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Max Oliver Cogburn, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, Marco A. Hernandez, and Michael H. Simon, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Steve C. Jones, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, and Patti B. Saris, of Massachusetts, to be Chair, and Dabney Langhorne Friedrich, of Maryland, both to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 6500–6507, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 1757, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1755, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 3082) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–675);

H.R. 3190, to restore the rule that agreements between manufacturers and retailers, distributors, or wholesalers to set the price below which the manufacturer's product or service cannot be sold violates the Sherman Act (H. Rept. 111–676); and

H. Res. 1756, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 5281) to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–677).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Pastor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Lieutenant Christilene Whalen, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy, Patuxent River, Maryland.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Social Security Number Protection Act of 2010: S. 3789, to limit access to Social Security account numbers;

Pages H8100–02

Recognizing and supporting the efforts of Welcome Back Veterans to augment the services provided by the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs in providing timely and world-class care for veterans and members of the Armed Forces suffering from PTSD and related psychiatric disorders: H. Res. 1746, amended, to recognize and support the efforts of Welcome Back Veterans to augment the services provided by the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs in providing timely and world-class care for veterans and members of the Armed Forces suffering from PTSD and related psychiatric disorders, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 409 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 621;

Pages H8102–04, H8151–52

Excluding an external power supply for certain security or life safety alarms and surveillance system components from the application of certain energy efficiency standards under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act: H.R. 5470, to exclude an external power supply for certain security or life safety

alarms and surveillance system components from the application of certain energy efficiency standards under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act;

Pages H8104–05

Guarantee of a Legitimate Deal Act: H.R. 4501, amended, to require certain return policies from businesses that purchase precious metals from consumers and solicit such transactions through an Internet Web site, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 324 yeas to 81 nays, Roll No. 620; **Pages H8105–07, H8151**

Weekends Without Hunger Act: H.R. 5012, amended, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch to establish a weekend and holiday feeding program to provide nutritious food to at-risk school children on weekends and during extended school holidays during the school year; and

Pages H8112–14

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to establish a weekend and holiday feeding program to provide nutritious food to at-risk school children on weekends and during extended school holidays during the school year.”. **Page H8114**

CAPTA Reauthorization Act of 2010: S. 3817, amended, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978, and the Abandoned Infants Assistance Act of 1988 to reauthorize the Acts.

Pages H8114–31

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Seniors Protection Act of 2010: H.R. 5987, amended, to ensure that seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities who receive Social Security and certain other Federal benefits receive a one-time \$250 payment in the event that no cost-of-living adjustment is payable in 2011, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 254 yeas to 153 nays, Roll No. 611 and

Pages H8094–H8100, H8170–71

Robert C. Byrd Mine Safety Protection Act of 2010: H.R. 6495, amended, to improve compliance with mine safety and health laws, empower miners to raise safety concerns, and prevent future mine tragedies, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 214 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 616.

Pages H8131–44, H8145

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, December 7th:

Congratulating imprisoned Chinese democracy advocate Liu Xiaobo on the award of the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize: H. Res. 1717, amended, to con-

gratulate imprisoned Chinese democracy advocate Liu Xiaobo on the award of the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 612;

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Supporting the goal of eradicating illicit marijuana cultivation on Federal lands: H. Res. 1540, amended, to support the goal of eradicating illicit marijuana cultivation on Federal lands and to call on the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to develop a coordinated strategy to permanently dismantle Mexican drug trafficking organizations operating on Federal lands, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 400 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 613;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Supporting the goal of eradicating illicit marijuana cultivation on Federal lands and calling on the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to develop a coordinated strategy to permanently dismantle Mexican drug trafficking organizations and other criminal groups operating on Federal lands.”.

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Expressing support for designation of 2011 as “World Veterinary Year”: H. Res. 1531, to express support for designation of 2011 as “World Veterinary Year” to bring attention to and show appreciation for the veterinary profession on its 250th anniversary, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 406 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 614;

Pages H8109–10

Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the National Council for International Visitors: H. Res. 1402, amended, to recognize the 50th anniversary of the National Council for International Visitors, and to express support for designation of February 16, 2011, as “Citizen Diplomacy Day”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 394 ayes to 13 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 617;

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Honoring the 2500th anniversary of the Battle of Marathon: H. Res. 1704, amended, to honor the 2500th anniversary of the Battle of Marathon, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 359 ayes to 44 noes with 5 voting “present”, Roll No. 618;

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Criminal History Background Checks Pilot Extension Act of 2010: S. 3998, to extend the Child Safety Pilot Program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 401 ayes to 2 noes, Roll No. 624; and

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Providing for American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas to be treated as States for certain criminal justice programs: H.R. 3353, to provide for American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas to be treated as States for certain criminal justice programs.

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Waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules: H. Res. 1752, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by a yea-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 615, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3082, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, with the amendment printed in H. Rept. 111–675, by a yea-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 622.

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H. Res. 1755, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 619, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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DREAM Act: The House concurred in the Senate amendments numbered 1 and 2 to H.R. 5281, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, and concurred in the Senate amendment numbered 3 with the amendment printed in H. Rept. 111–677, by a yea-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 625.

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H. Res. 1756, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 211 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 623, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8091 and H8243.

Senate Referrals: S. 3984 was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor; S. 3199 and S. 3036 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Ten yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8107, H8108, H8108–09, H8109–10, H8144–45, H8145, H8145–46, H8146–47, H8150, H8151, H8151–52, H8220–21, H8221–22, H8222, and H8242–43. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SEC OFFERING LIMIT INCREASE

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “A Proposal to Increase the Offering Limit Under SEC Regulation A.” Testimony was heard from Representative Eshoo; and public witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010 (FULL-YEAR CR AND FOOD SAFETY)

Committee on Rules: Granted by a non-record vote, a rule for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010 (Full-Year FY11 CR and Food Safety). The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations that the House concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3082 with the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion, with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Obey and Representatives Dingell, and Kagen.

REMOVAL CLARIFICATION ACT OF 2010 (DEVELOPMENT, RELIEF, EDUCATION FOR ALIEN MINORS (DREAM) ACT)

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 8–2, a rule providing for the consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 5281, the Removal Clarification Act of 2010 (Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act). The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary that the House concur in the Senate amendments numbered 1 and 2, and that the House concur in the Senate amendment numbered 3 with the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI. Finally, the rule provides that the Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as

read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Zoe Lofgren of California, Goodlatte, and King of Iowa.

Joint Meetings

WESTERN BALKANS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Western Balkans, focusing on developments in 2010 and hopes for the future, after receiving testimony from Thomas Countryman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ramona Emilia Romero, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine the state of the credit union industry; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of Joseph A. Smith, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carolyn W. Colvin, of Maryland, to be

Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Sue Kathrine Brown, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Montenegro, Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, David Lee Carden, of New York, to be Representative to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Pamela L. Spratlen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, and Daniel L. Shields III, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, all of the Department of State, and Eric G. Postel, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Alzheimer's Disease: The Ongoing Challenges," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Civil Liberties and National Security, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Update on WikiLeaks Unauthorized Disclosures, 1 p.m., 304-HVC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, December 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3992, Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m.; following which, if cloture is not invoked, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 847, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act, with the possibility of reconsideration of the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3454, National Defense Authorization Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, December 9

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: To be announced.

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